(c) UNICEF has not expressed any such concern.

(d) Government has sanctioned 456 ICDS Projects and 1.88 lakh AWCs recently. Instructions have been issued to all States that villages predominantly inhabited by population belonging to SC/ST and minority community should be given priority in location of AWCs.

(e) 3279 additional Anganwadi Centres have been sanctioned for Orissa. Location of Anganwadi Centres has to be decided by the State Government.

National Commission for Children

2000. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are seriously thinking for setting up of a National Commission for Children on the lines of National Commission for Women;

(b) if so, the areas that are going to be covered by the proposed Commission;

(c) the measures his Ministry is taking for setting up of similar Commissions in all States;

(d) whether any consultations with the States have been held in this respect; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) The Commissions for Protection of Child Rights Bill, 2005 has been introduced in the Lok Sabha on 2nd May, 2005 which proposes to set up a National Commission at national level and the State Commissions at State level.

(b) The Commissions would deal with all issues pertaining to children.

(c) The Bill provides that the State Governments may constitute the State Commissions in their respective States.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Most of the State Governments have agreed to the proposal.

Issue of Certificate by CBSE

2001. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT to pleased to state:

(a) the number of students who appeared for the 12th standard examination conducted by the CBSE in 2003-04 and 2004-05, State-wise;

(b) whether certificates for all the students have been dispatched;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the manner in which CBSE proposes to reduce delays in issue of certificates; and

(e) the steps proposed to make the system efficient?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) As per the information furnished by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), 3,80,469 and 4,04,856 students appeared in Class XII Examinations in the year 2003-04 and 2004-05 respectively. The State-wise detail is at Statement (*See* below).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e) There is no delay in issue of certificates of Class XII Examinations.

Statement

CBSE - Statewise No. of Candidates Appeared and Passed in Class XII - 2004 & 2005

State Code & Name		Class XII			
		2004		2005	
		APPD	PASS	APPD	PASS
1	2	3	4	5	6
AL	Arunachal	7390	3341	7897	3496
AM	Assam	3425	3062	4299	3807
AN	Andaman & Nicobar	2928	2404	3115	2413
AP	Andhra Pradesh	2293	2153	3090	2783
BR	Bihar	8420	5837	10389	6880
CG	Chhattisgarh	7029	3898	5127	4032
CH	Chandigarh	10663	8736	10620	8725
DD	Daman & DIU (UT)	42	37	48	43
DL	Delhi	112976	93716	119600	98035

1	2	3	4	5	6
DN	Dadra &Nagar	53	38	112	85
FS	Foreign	5668	5104	6024	5547
GO	Goa	198	196	260	245
GT	Gujarat	2701	2403	3177	2907
HA	Haryana	29492	22318	31817	25105
HP	Himachal Pradesh	3209	2542	3513	2820
JH	Jharkhand	14358	11552	14565	12037
JK	Jammu & Kashmir	1927	1604	2026	1730
KK	Karnataka	3024	2851	3475	3318
KL	Kerala	13518	12385	14131	12895
LD	Lakshadweep (UT)	48	33	50	26
MG	Meghalaya	656	576	700	597
MN	Manipur	1023	804	1530	739
MP	Madhya Pradesh	11854	10326	14174	12178
MR	Maharashtra	3934	3695	4744	4361
MZ	Mizoram	201	155	232	153
NL	Nagaland	110	101	143	99
OR	Orissa	3165	2660	3289	2786
PB	Punjab	10967	9225	12650	10817
PO	Pondicherry (UT)	119	115	118	103
RJ	Rajasthan	16583	14327	18850	16299
SM	Sikkim	2809	2072	3039	2261
TA	Tripura	588	452	649	478
TN	Tamil Nadu	3064	2915	3645	3498
UA	Uttaranchal	7990	5695	8747	6588
UP	Uttar Pradesh	45529	34217	51150	39310
WB	West Bengal	8626	7255	9294	7671